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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in connection with the Office Action mailed on December 10, 2004 in the above-identified application. A Notice of Appeal was filed on March 7, 2005. A Request for Continued Examination and the fee therefor accompanies this Amendment. A two-month extension of time to respond is requested, and a fee therefor accompanies this paper. However, if any additional fees are required as a result of the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 23-0785 any such fees. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.